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## ***BOX Non-Fee Amendment***

Re: U.S. Application No.: 09/521,640  
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Title: ***Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated with Plants***  
Inventors: BYRUM, Joseph R, *et al.*  
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Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. a Response to Restriction Requirement (5 pages);
2. an Information Disclosure Statement and one accompanying reference;
3. a PTO from 1449 citing one reference;
4. check number 200686 in the amount of \$180; and
5. a return postcard.

Please stamp the attached postcard with the filing date of these documents and return it to our courier.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees beyond those set forth above are required in conjunction with this submission. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned

under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account Number 50-1824, referencing docket number 16517.128. Applicants likewise authorize a charge to Deposit Account Number 50-1824 for any other fees related to the present application that are not otherwise provided for in the accompanying documents.

Respectfully submitted,



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